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My dear Maharaja,

I began a letter more formally -Your Highness- and then changed it,for the deep feeling of friendship still remains with me , and I hear from Mirza Ismail that you have honoured me by writing to me . I am hoping that the letter has gone to England , and that it will reach me in time . I gave Rajkumar an outline of what we were going to do,when we met in Poona,to pass on to Your Highness . He will certainly make a diplomat ,for an old friend of us both could only arrive at a very vague idea of where we were from him. But I always knew I could trust him. Our time here is drawing to an end , the Delegates meet once more the first week of March,and we hope to catch the P.& O. of the 5th: 9th: or 12th: April from Bombay . Stuart is working under the Colonial Office and not under India and he will have to go home to report and that will bring us not very far away from his date of retirement so we shall settle down in our new home in The Pyrenees (you know my love for the hills) and there I hope many of our friends will come and see us .It will be sad leaving Bombay , India with all its memories , by far the happiest were the days spent in the South,and your great kindness to us shines over them .

I have been remiss in not writing to my friends this Christmas but our movements were so uncertain . But it was not that I had forgotten them. Stuart has not been well for nearly three months

and I was really anxious a short time ago and it seemed that he would have to go home at once , but it was evidently the last of the trouble for he is now, I am thankful to say , quite himself again but still I shall be glad to get him away before there is any chance of heat,and the Persian Gulf can be very trying.

I wish I could look forward to coming out to see Mysore once more , one never knows, perhaps in the future it might be possible. But even if that pleasure cannot be my thoughts will always be for the happiness and prosperity of Your Highness and Mysore. -

With our united very warm Regards

Believe me,

Most sincerely yours,